



# Communicator

## Spring Edition-September 2011

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### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

**H**ello from me on these lovely spring days, it is nice to see the sunshine again. Hopefully we have seen the last of the cold and wet days for a while and we can look forward to some bright and warmer days & nights.



As October and Daylight saving comes along hopefully we will again see many of our older and respected members again coming along to visit the club as the weather fines up. We need your support so come and join us and bring your families and friends they are most welcome to attend our Sub-Branch so bring them along. Come along and have a chat with your buddies, even participate in coffee and cake or have a meal at the club. Bar meals are also available from the members bar at a very reasonable cost.

Don't forget that senior's meals are available.

What's been happening, well the club is progressing well and the sale of the land is still work in progress I can assure you. All other aspects of the club are progressing well. Many members will be pleased to know that from the Members night in September (the 30<sup>th</sup> September) our raffles will again be conducted by our sporting bodies and funds raised will go to each of the sporting groups conducting the raffle.

You have asked for this now over the past months so come along and support our groups to raise funds and enjoy the raffle and prizes which the groups coupled with the Sub-Branch will be making them available. Hopefully you will find the raffles value for money. Timings of the raffle draws will remain as they have been now for some time.

### MONASH HOSPITAL



**R**ecently, your President, Welfare Officer and myself were invited to afternoon tea at Monash Hospital for them to say thank you to our Ladies Auxiliary and especially Alma Bell for their continued support over 20 years and more. Of course a number of our Auxiliary Ladies were also in attendance and proud to be there.

The reason this occurred was that we have recently donated a specialised Treadle Machine for the purpose of being used in the Children's Physiotherapy Department.

The Clayton RSL Sub-Branch has been providing support to this department since 1988 it is reported.

Over the past 23 years our Sub-Branch has donated in excess of \$30,000 which has allowed the Physiotherapy Department to purchase vital equipment due to the generosity of our members and past committees.

That is **Welfare working at Clayton Sub-Branch**. The children demonstrated the machine for us and what a proud moment to see how they use the machines. The coming Mufti hopefully will have an article in that edition.



Alma Bell a staunch member of our Sub-Branch for many years as many of you know was a former volunteer in the Physiotherapy Department at Monash Hospital for over 20 years and was instrumental in partnering with our Sub-Branch in driving the fund raising activities towards the Physiotherapy Department at Monash Hospital. Alma we thank you sincerely for your dedicated service to our Sub-Branch over all those years and wish you well for your years ahead. Alma is now residing in care in the suburb of Sunbury.

The latest of these donations enabled the purchase of a treadmill which will largely be used by Cystic Fibrosis patients from Monash Children's Department.

Certificates were presented to Alma and to our President Ray Scott. JP at the completion of the afternoon's presentation where we were then able to mingled with the staff.



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During the past months we have lost a number of our members and they are remembered herein:-



James Lynch

William C Johnson

Stanley Jones

Ian Docking

Albert Hutt

Kenneth Benham

# COMING EVENTS

## Annual Grand Final Day BBQ

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October



Happy Hour for members 2.00 – 5.00pm  
Telecast live in the Function Room and  
Sports Bar.

Organised by The Angling Club.

## Senior's Week

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October



Jazz Concert

11.00 – 1.00pm

\$6 Included Tea, Coffee & Biscuit

Bookings Essential

Phone Marg on 9553 3850

## RSL War Graves Service

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Springvale War Graves Cemetery.

**W**e have arranged for a bus to leave the club to transport our incapacitated members and those who are unable to get there themselves. Notices will be around the club and on the screen giving you the departure

times. Our Welfare Officer will organise the transport to and from the club. If you require the use of the bus you must give your name to reception well prior to this event.

## Remembrance Day

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

**W**e will again conduct a remembrance service at the Memorial Gardens in Clayton Road. The service will begin at 10.55am for 11.00am sharp. You need to make your own way to the Memorial Gardens.



On completion we will have the children who attend the service arrive back at the club for the **schools scholarship presentation**. We will provide a lunch for the children and the Teachers but members, parents and friends need to purchase their own food and drinks. To our members, especially our Service members join in with this and let the children see that we value their input to our Sub-Branch and show them that what the RSL and Serving for our country is all about by being part of this day.

## Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December

You can bring your Children, Grandchildren Great Grand Children up to the age of 12 and they will all receive a present from Santa, **of course all other children are welcome to come along** and take part in the activities.

This year we have a Star in "**Bethany Fisher**" coming to entertain the kids and she is a very professional young lady with a wonderful voice, a real rocker and she really gets the kids involved. We also have a Balloonist and Crystal the clown coming who will paint the faces of our kids. Notices will be sent in due course.





## **Christmas Day Luncheon**

***Open from 12 noon  
12.30 - 2.00pm Lunch  
Special Visit from  
SANTA***

# **5 Course Buffet**

plus Tea and Coffee

**\$55** Members

**\$60** Non Members

**\$20** kids up to 12

Conditions Apply\*

Bookings Essential Ph.  
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Pay by installments or in full  
By 5<sup>th</sup> December

### **Entree**

**Chefs Soup of the day  
with Assortment of Breads  
Oysters, Seafood  
Cocktail & Qld. Prawns  
Salad buffet with Selection of  
Salads**

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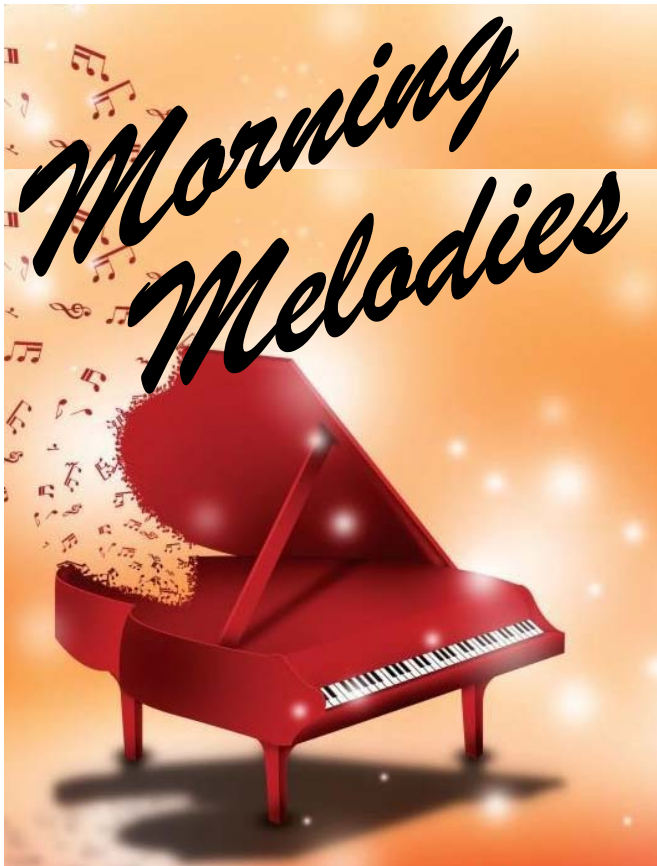
### **Mains**

**Honey Glazed Baked Ham,  
Oven Baked Turkey,  
Roasted Pumpkin, Carrots and  
Potatoes with Peas and Gravy**

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### **Dessert**

**Plum Pudding with Brandy  
Custard,  
Chocolate Mousse,  
Jelly Cups, Mini Pavlovas  
Selection of Fruit  
Assortment of Mini Cakes**



**10<sup>th</sup> October**

**Marceau Camille**

**14<sup>th</sup> November**

**Rick Charles**

**12<sup>th</sup> December**

**Brendan Scott**

**Show, Morning Tea \$8**

**Show, Morning Tea and**

**Roast Lunch \$13**

**ROLLOVER  
ROCKTOBER!**  
**CLEAVAGEDOWNUNDER**  
Presents



**CUP EVE**

**MONDAY 31st OCTOBER**

**From 7PM**

**Adults: \$15 Kids: \$10  
\$15 Carvery Available**

*Discounts for group bookings*

**MIMESATIONAL  
80s COMEDY CABARET**

**ALL tickets MUST be booked  
and paid for online**

**[www.cleavagedownunder.com](http://www.cleavagedownunder.com)**

**Or call Foxy at  
CDU Central on  
0417 031 967**

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN OUR SUB-BRANCH

- **Bingo** is conducted in the **George Foster Room** each **Tuesday & Saturday** and all are welcome.

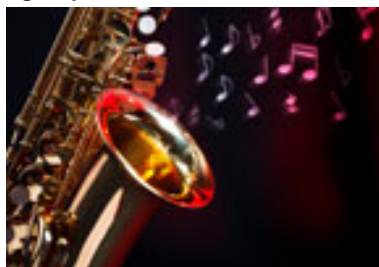


**Come along and enjoy this day.**

- Our **Bluebirds Day Club** is a very active group and meets in the **George Foster** room every Thursday and they would welcome new members.
- Gale Hall is now the conveyor and would welcome all our members and friends to go along.



- Every Saturday night you can book in and **head down to the Jazz nights**, it is well worth coming along and hearing some great music. Our girls at reception will give you a contact number for bookings and before hand, why not have dinner in the **"Sovereign Bistro"**, great meals at reasonable prices are offered by Lisa and Daniel.



- Friday night Members **Happy hour** continues with a **Key Draw & raffles** being run for the enjoyment of all.

- Then we have **MEMBERS night** the last Friday of the month, so come along swipe your card and participate in the **special bonus members draw** with a prize value of **\$200**.



**Our Sovereign Bistro is fully functional** with a great Menu at very competitive pricing and they are enjoying good numbers attending each day & nights and if you wish to have.

**You're Family, their children your Grandchildren & friends would be made more than welcome in the Sovereign Bistro.**



### Seniors Meals

Lunch 12 – 2pm

Sun – Sat

Dinner 6 – 8pm

Sun – Fri

### Carvery Night

Every Saturday

\$15 members

\$17 non-members

**Your special private or business Function at the club** contact Lisa and she will be more than pleased to assist your needs.

**Of course we also have several very active Sporting Sub-Clubs in the Sub-Branch** they are: - Angling, Bowls, Darts, and over 55's snooker & billiards.

Not forgetting of course our **Ladies Auxiliaries** the Women's Auxiliary, War Widows club, and Legacy club and all our Sub clubs and auxiliaries have vacancies. If you have interest in becoming a member of any of these clubs please ask for a contact from the reception staff.

**VOLUNTEERS** In closing; I ask for your participation in helping with our **volunteer work** such as Hospital visits to members who need our support or are lonely and nowadays have no local family to visit them. You are invited to come along to our **Welfare meetings that are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 3.30pm any member is welcome to attend** and see what the Welfare members do for our Sub- Branch and its members. Ann Coram heads up this committee and she would make you more than welcome.

**General meeting** Yes we will be having one of those early in December where we will approve and/or amend by-Laws and offer the new fees for 2012. But of course as always at Clayton the matter of fees will be given the consideration that it deserves and announced at that meeting but rest assured as we stand today we still do not charge our **Service or Affiliate members a fee**. The capitation fee that you pay is applied by ANZAC House and all monies go RSL Victoria directly. The funds are not held by us. Correspondence and notices will be forwarded in due course. Dates will also be shown on the screens in the club

Our Treasurer is still overseas visiting family and friends and as she recently reported she is having a wonderful time. Aranka will be back to control our funds in November.

Hope to catch around the club don't forget Members Draw on the 30<sup>th</sup> September and

the Raffles that will again be run by our sporting groups, so come along and support them See you there.

**NOTE:**  
**Just some house keeping for the benefit of members.**

If you have a concern or suggestion and want it addressed please **do not hassle our staff as they cannot help you**. Direct all your inquiries to the undersigned and it will be attended to without hesitation in due course. I can be contacted via email [reception@claytonrsl.com.au](mailto:reception@claytonrsl.com.au) I will then make contact with you ASAP.

**Remember, your committee is there for the management and control of all matters that relate to Our Sub-Branch, its members or any matters relating to the RSL in general and they are there to address your inquiries. Please do not direct your concerns to Staff Members as mentioned above.**

Well, on that note I look forward to catching up in the club. By the way I am available and at the club on most Tuesdays from **11.00 am to 2.30 pm approx** or **Thursdays between 11.00am and 1.00pm approx**, other times by appointment.

Well; bye for now look forward to seeing you around the club.

**Bruce**  
Bruce Williams Sub-Branch Secretary.

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